

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A recording apparatus for ~~supporting~~ titling an acquired image and recording the acquired image and a title thereof, said recording apparatus comprising:

a storage unit prestoring therein title candidates for images and, ~~in correspondence therewith,~~ corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

a shooting time acquiring unit operable to acquire ~~information of a shooting time~~ information for ~~of~~ the acquired image;

an object information acquiring unit operable to acquire ~~information of an object~~ information for ~~in~~ the acquired image;

a retrieving unit operable to retrieve a title candidate, ~~among the prestored title candidates~~ prestored by said storage unit, that matches the ~~acquired~~ shooting time information and the object information; and

a presentation unit operable to present character sequences, to a user, that are a combination of the title candidate retrieved by said retrieving unit and the shooting time information acquired by said shooting time acquiring unit, ~~containing the retrieved title candidate, to a user.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 1, wherein
said storage unit prestores therein schedule information indicating scheduled activities of persons, together with date/times ~~respectively in correspondence with~~ corresponding to the scheduled activities,

the title candidates are the scheduled activities indicated in the schedule information,

said retrieving unit detects a person from the object information acquired by said object information acquiring ~~unit,~~ unit and retrieves a scheduled activity of the detected person from the ~~prestored~~ schedule information prestored by said storage unit, and

said presentation unit presents character sequences ~~containing~~ comprising the ~~retrieved~~ scheduled activity retrieved by said retrieving unit.

3. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 2, further comprising:
a personal information storage unit operable to prestore therein personal information concerning the persons, ~~including comprising an~~ indication of ~~sex~~ gender of the persons, wherein ~~some of~~ the title candidates include names of general yearly events,
said storage unit prestores therein information concerning ~~sex~~ gender and age of at least one of the objects for general yearly events, with each piece of the information concerning gender and age corresponding to an event name,
said retrieving unit detects a person from the object information acquired by said object information acquiring unit, and reads a piece of personal information corresponding to the detected person, from said personal information storage unit, and retrieves an event name that matches the read piece of personal information, and
said presentation unit presents character sequences containing the ~~retrieved~~ event name retrieved by the retrieving unit.

4. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 3, wherein
said personal information storage unit further prestores therein information concerning ages of the persons.

5. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 4, wherein
said presentation unit presents a list of title candidates, in an order of ~~(1)~~ (i) a title candidate being a scheduled activity that matches the ~~acquired~~ shooting time information and the object information, and (ii) one or more title candidates corresponding to one or more events in an order of a highest to a lowest correspondence level.

6. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 3, wherein said presentation unit presents title candidates that contain a name or an age or both the name and the age that are extracted from the personal information concerning the object in the acquired image for which said object information acquiring unit has acquired the information.

7. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 1, further comprising:
a title determining unit operable to determine the title of the acquired image based on a user input selecting one character sequence among the ~~presented~~ character sequences presented by said presentation unit; and
an image storage unit operable to store the acquired image and the ~~determined~~ title determined by said title determining unit with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title thereof.

8. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 2, further comprising:
a title determining unit operable to determine the title of the acquired image based on the ~~presented~~ character sequences presented by said presentation unit and a user input; and
an image storage unit operable to store the acquired image and the ~~determined~~ title determined by said title determining unit with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title thereof.

9. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of Claim 8, further comprising:
a still picture attaching unit operable to extract a still picture from the acquired image and attach the still picture to the schedule information corresponding to the scheduled activity retrieved by said retrieving unit, if the title determining unit determines one character sequence, among the character sequences containing the retrieved scheduled activity, as the title, ~~to extract a still picture from the acquired image and attach the extracted still picture to the schedule information in correspondence with the retrieved scheduled activity.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A title presentation method for presenting candidates for a title of an acquired image, said title presentation method comprising:
prestoring title candidates for titles of images and, in correspondence therewith, corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

acquiring ~~information of a shooting time~~ information for ~~of the acquired image;~~
acquiring ~~information of an object in~~ information for the acquired image;
retrieving a title candidate₁ among the prestored title candidates that matches the acquired shooting time information and the acquired object information; and
presenting character sequences₁ to a user, that are a combination of the retrieved title candidate and the acquired shooting time information. ~~containing the retrieved title candidate, for a user to determine a title of the acquired image.~~

11. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium on which a program is recorded, causing the computer to implement a title presentation method comprising: ~~title presentation program for execution on a computer for presenting candidates for a title of an acquired image, said title presentation program comprising:~~

program code operable to cause the computer to prestore title candidates for ~~titles of~~ images and, ~~in correspondence therewith,~~ corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

program code operable to cause the computer to acquire ~~information of a shooting time~~ information for ~~of the acquired image;~~

program code operable to cause the computer to acquire ~~information of an object~~ information for ~~in~~ the acquired image;

program code operable to cause the computer to retrieve a title candidate₁ among the ~~prestored~~ title candidates prestored by said storage unit, that matches the ~~acquired~~ shooting time information and the object information; and

program code operable to cause the computer to present character sequences₁ to a user, that are a combination of the retrieved title candidate and the acquired shooting time information. ~~containing the retrieved title candidate, for a user to determine a title of the acquired image.~~

12. (Currently Amended) An integrated circuit for ~~putting a title to~~ titling an acquired image and recording the acquired image ~~with the~~ and a title, said integrated circuit comprising:

a storage unit ~~operable to prestore~~prestore therein title candidates or titles of ~~for~~ images and, ~~in correspondence therewith,~~ corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

a shooting time acquiring unit operable to acquire ~~information of a shooting time~~ information for ~~of~~ the acquired image;

an object information acquiring unit operable to acquire ~~information of an object in object~~ information for the acquired image;

a retrieving unit operable to retrieve a title candidate, among the ~~prestored~~ title candidates prestored by said storage unit, that matches the ~~acquired~~ shooting time information and the object information;

a presentation unit operable to present character sequences, to a user, that are a combination of the title candidate retrieved by said retrieving unit and the shooting time information acquired by said shooting time acquiring unit ~~containing the retrieved title candidate, for a user to determine a title of the acquired image;~~ and

an image data storage unit operable to store therein a title determined by the user, together with data concerning the acquired image.

13. (New) The recording apparatus of claim 7, wherein

said presentation unit presents a plurality of character sequences, to the user, as title candidates for the title of the acquired image, and

said title determining unit determines, as the title of the acquired image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences.

14. (New) The recording apparatus of claim 8, wherein

said presentation unit presents, to the user, a plurality of character sequences as title candidates for the acquired image, and

said title determining unit determines, as the title of the acquired image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences.